(d) 2.10.1992 9% of total fares in the form of fuel surcharge

II. VAYUDOOT

(a) 11.4.1990 15.7% on total fares in the form of fuel surcharge

(b) 26.9.1990 10% of total fare as Gulf Evacuation surcharge

(c) 7.10.1991 Gulf evacuation surcharge merged with fuel surcharge. Fare increased by 20% (9% in the form of basic fare and 11% in the form of fuel surcharge)

(d) 20.3.1992 Increase in total fare ranging upto 60% in various sectors

(e) 15.4.1992 Increase in dollar fares. (0 1.9.1992 15% on total fare in north eastern sectors.

III. AIR INDIA

The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Privatisation of ITDCHotcIs

5. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that domestic hotel industry have lodged complaints against the move of Government to offer certain hotels under ITDC only to international hotel corporations;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A number of requests have been received from Indian hotel chains to participate in this scheme.

(c) The reasons for inviting foreign international chains for setting up of joint ventures of ITDC hotels are as follows:—

(i) The equity participation by foreign international chains would bring foreign exchange to the country.

(ii) Their coming to India would create healthier competition amongst the hotel industry.

(iii) The presence of intemationnal hotel chains in India would help in making avaialble a large international marketing network thereby increasing tourist inflow to India.

Light and Sound Show at Jala Tal Ghar at Sibsagar in Assm

6. SHRI BHADRESWAR GOHAIN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) Whether there is a proposal under Government's consideration to start a light and sound show at Jalatal Ghar in Sibsagar in Assam; and

(b) If so, what is the present position of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Filling up of Group 'D' Post in I.A.

7. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it a fact that a number of vacancies in Group 'D' posts (Peon/ Frash) have been lying vacant in Indian Airlines in its New Delhi Hqrs. Office for quite some time;

(b) whether it is also a fact that

candidates sponsored by the employment exchange have been waiting for their interviews/selections since long;

(c) if so, what are the reasons thereof; and

(d) by when all selection formalities are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) As on 31-10-92 there are 18 vacancies in the Indian Airlines Hqrs. for the posts of Peon/Frash.

(b) to (d) In response to Indian Airlines requisition of 15th June, 1992, names of 1SS candidates were sponsored by Employment Exchanges. The selection process did not commence due to ban on all direct recruitment imposed on 23rd July, 1992. Pending review of requirement of manpower of the Corporation.

Air mishap near Goa

8. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that IC 467 had an airmiss near Goa on October 29, 1992.

(b) if so, what are the details and circumstances in which the even occurred; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to avoid similar occurranccs in future?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) on 26-10-92 Indian Airlines flight IC-467 was asked to hold over Goa by the ATC at 3000 feet while an Indian Navy IL-38 aircraft was being cleared for departure. The IL-38 while climbing came in close proximity of IC-467 which had to take immediate evasive action.

(c) The matter is under investigation.

Development of Torusim In Assam

9. SHRI BHADRESWAR GOHAIN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken by Government to encourage tourism in Assam;

(b) whether Government are aware that unless the Restricted Area Permit System is abolished for the North East that part of India cannot attract foreign tourists; and

(c) if so, what steps are taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) The Government of India assists the State Government of Assam in the development of infrastructure facilities and publicising the tourist attractions in the country and overseas.

(b) and (c) Restricted Area Permit System is prevalent in the interest of National Security. The Government regularly reviews the situation and has extended relaxation in the rules for Restricted Area Permit from time to time.

New International Terminals at Bombay

10. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAM RAO PATIL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that IAAI is awaiting for the clearance for new international terminal at Bombay;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when Government propose to give clearance for the new international terminal at Bombay?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal envisages construction of a Terminal building (including